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Notes of the  
**EVIDENCE**

Given against the

**Lord Howard of Escrick**

To the Grand Inquest of the Hundred of *Ed-  
monton* and *Gore* in the County of *Middle-  
sex* ; Taken by Sir *Charles Lee* their Fore-  
man, and agreed to by all the rest of the Jury,  
who offered to subscribe their Names as an  
acknowledgment of the Truth of them.

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*Mr. Smith's Evidence.*

**H**E heard Mr. *Fitz-Harris* say to Mr. *Everard*, That he could give no further Instructions that night ; for that he was to go that night to *Knights-bridge*, and when Mr. *Fitz-Harris* was gone, *Smith* asked *Everard* whither Mr. *Fitz-Harris* was gone that night ? He said, he was gone to the Lord *Howard of Escrick's* House at *Knights-bridge* ; And further saith not.

Mr. *Everard's* Evidence saith, That he asked when he should compleat his Instructions ? *Fitz-Harris* told him, That he could not do it that Night, nor the next Morning, for that he was to go to *Knights-bridge* that night, or the morrow morning ; and afterwards told him, he was to go to the Lord *Howards of Escrick* at *Knights-bridge* ; and *Fitz-Harris* came the next day towards night, and compleated the said Libel, and corrected it in several places : And Mr. *Everard* saith, at the finishing of this Libel, *Fitz-Harris* gave *Everard* directions to take the *Queries* out of a Printed Pamphlet called, *The Intercepted Letter to Roger L'Strange*, and to insert them into the said Libel.

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Mrs. *Fitz-Harris* saith, She saw the Lord *Howard* at her Husband's Lodgings (some short time before her Husband was made Prisoner) deliver a Paper to her Husband, and said, *They were notable Heads*; and withal said, *That when those things were put in order, the People would rise, and then they would seize the King, and keep him until he had passed the Bill of Excluding the Duke of York, and settling the Succession upon the Duke of Monmouth.* And saith, (reading the Paper left in her Husband's Chamber by the Lord *Howard*;) she remembers these Expressions in that Paper; *As it was the undoubted Right of the People to oppose a Popish Successor, so it was to oppose a Possessor that would follow evil Council, and not be ruled by his Parliament*: At which time Mr. *Fitz-Harris* call'd for a Pen and Ink, and told his Wife that he had promised not to deliver that Paper in that hand; and she asking whither he was going? her Husband answered, He was going to Mr. *Everard's* Chamber to have that Paper drawn up. And before the Lord *Howard* went out of Mr. *Fitz-Harris's* Chamber, Mr. *Fitz-Harris* asked the Lord *Howard* what he should do for money? to which the Lord *Howard* replied, *Let me alone for that*: And that within a day or two her Husband brought home the Libel to his Wife, and read it to her; upon the reading of which, she asked him whether *Everard* had drawn that Book out of those few Heads? her Husband answered, Yes; for that Mr. *Everard* was a man of Parts.

Mrs. *Terrisha Peacock* saith, that being in her Masters Chamber, or Dining-room, she found the Lord *Howard* in the Dining-room, and saw the Lord give her Master a Paper, and told him it was a notable thing, and bid him read it; and said, *If this were once Published about, the People would rise, and then we will seize upon the King, and keep him, until such time as he passes the Bill, concerning the Exclusion of the Duke of York; and settle the Crown upon the Duke of Monmouth*; And Mr. *Fitz-Harris* asking him what he should do for Money? The Lord *Howard* said, Mr. *Fitz-Harris* should have enough within a Week; and she saith, he gave it for his Wife to Read; and after she saw her Master Copy it out, and asking whether he would come in to Dinner? He answered, he had earnest business at *Grays-Inn*, whither he was going.

*This was the true Evidence given before Us Gentlemen of the Grand Inquest, June the 21. 1681.*

*This is a true Copy of the Original Paper.*

Charles Lee.  
William Blucke.  
Jof. Beale.  
John Nichol.

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